

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification [Total Pages 22]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
- Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 6]
- Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 1]
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(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) name in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
- Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

Attorney Docket No.	2005.21
First Inventor	Todd Ames
Title	See 1 in Addendum
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7.  CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
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    - ii.  Paper

- c.  Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney  
(when there is an assignee)
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1499  Copies of IDS
13.  Preliminary Amendment
14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
16.  Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17.  Other: .....

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Continuation

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Art Unit: .....

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1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee	
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee	
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee	
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee	
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<b>2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE</b>			
Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
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Independent Claims	4	-3** = 1	84
Multiple Dependent			
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## Addendum

### 1. METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING AN ABSORBENT COMPOSITE

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

Ames, et al

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAKING AN ABSORBENT COMPOSITE**

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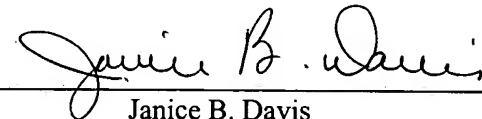
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Specification (22 pages)  
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